

Wayland, Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> 1859

Dear Mrs. Chapman,

I sent you

some lines of poetry the other day, in which  
I should like to have a line altered.

Instead of,

The Blue Hills veiled in golden light  
Please change it to  
The Blue Hills bathed in golden light.

They write me word that Wendell Phillips  
has been asked to write for the Independent.  
I wonder whether he will. It seems rather  
tough to write for a paper, where Dr. Bacon  
and Dr. Leavitt are Editors, and where  
young Tilton seems to be the only sound  
timber in the fabric. However, Wendell is  
orthodox, and so I suppose would like the  
paper better than I do.

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